The Intelligencer.

THE GOLDEN IDOL;

The Enchanted Tree. CHAPTER I.

CHAPTER I.

A GIRL'S DESPAIR.

Upon a lonely shore of Tonga-taboo harbor, in the island of Tonga-taboo, two persons sat hidden in a dim recess of salars.

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They were father and daughter.

The former was a plain, simple clergyman of middle age.

The latter was a charming girl of sevenmany remarkable to

The latter was a charming girl of seventeen years, scarcely more remarkable for her loveliness than for her sterling good sense and a worldly wisdom far in advance of her years.

As to the wife and mother of this couple, she had long been sleeping her last sleep in one of the lonely nooks of this far Pacific island.

Ten years had passed since Mr. Fortesche and come to the shores of this lovely harbor, with the intention of passing, his days in the labor of converting to Christianity their pagan idolators; but the good

days in the labor of converting to Contra-tisnity their pagan idolators; but the good missionary had, in some unintentional way, fallen under the displeasure of the roler of the island, and was now being hunted for his lite.

"I am so tired, tather," panted the girl, as she clasped her hand ughtly to her beart.

"We ought not to have run so fast," re-

sponded Mr. Fortescue. "But I am sure the savages were near us."
"Hush! here they are!" breathed the

girl.

A rush of footsteps was heard; and a moment later several savages came flying past, rending the air with their cries.

"They think we have gone in that direction," whispered the missionary. "Oh, if they only know how near we still are to the settlement!"

to the settlement "
"Will they not soon be back; this way, father "asked Miss Fortesone.
"I dare say they will "Rille. Ah! here comes another band of them."
A dozen armed warriors traversed the sandy beach immediately in front of the

ding place of the couple. "How terrible they are! how lost to all

"Alas! for the poor results of all-my "Alas! for the poer results of all-my totals" sighed Mr. Fortescue. "To see these savage pursuers, and hear their yells, one would little imagine the sacrifices we have made on their account. All the benefits they have received from us are forgotten. They are determined to kill us it they can find us. 25.3.

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At this point Ellie started violently, all-arising to her feet.
"Ob, look, father!" she cried.
This was all she could say, but she This was all she could say, but she pointed far away in the direction from which the fugitives had come.
"I see," murmured Mr. Fortescue.

"They have fired our dwelling."

A lurid flame arose in the air in the dis-"It is hard to see our home perishing," sighed the daughter. "What demons they

She started again, even more violently

She started again, even more violently than before—this time at the barking, of a dog within ten feet of her.

"The cur will certainly betray us!" cried the missionary, springing to his feet.

"He has betrayed us already," returned Ellie. "See! they are coming."

In the last moment at his residence, Mr. Fortescue had seized an old sword he chanced to have upon his premises, and he thanked heaven for the service this weapon now rendered him, he being able

weapon now rendered him, he being able to cleave the dog in twain with a single esperate blow.
"Had we better not plunge into the in-

"Had we better not plunge into the interior, father?" asked Ellie.
"I think not. It is there that they are looking for us. They are beating up every bush, and—Yes! they are certainly coming nearer to us. See! they have torches! On, this is horrible!"
"Parkness was had better throw consolves." Perhaps we had better throw ourselves

into a boat, and trust ourselves to the winds and waves.

stonary isy westering in nis plood, with a bullet through his vitals.

"I am hit!" he cried. "Teannot go on."
"Not even to the boat, father?"
"Alas, it is to late!" failered the dying missionary, as everything recled around

"To Thee, O God, I commend her!" These were the last words of the devo ted missionary. As he uttered them, he tumbled into the boat he had succeeded with his last desperate efforts in reaching, and in that same instant his senses left

him forever.
"Off, demons!" cried Eille, still wielding her sword with the strength of des-

By the last desperate effort of her exhausted powers the brave girl succeeded in pushing off the boat and in breaking clear of the pursuers with it.

A PIENDISH BRVENGE.

At the same hour when the preceeding events were occurring, a large top-sail schooner was standing on and off the Eastern Passage of Tonga-taboo harbor, waiting to enter the port and come to

Upon the stern of this schooner, leaning against the bulwarks, stood a fresh-looking and rosy faced youth of eighteen or nineteen years, who was looking dreamily through the night in the direc-tion of the distant land. And near this

youth stood the skipper of the schooner, whose gaze had long been fixed in the whose gaze had long been fixed in the same direction.

"Did I understand you to say, Denny Breeze, that you expect to find old ac-quaintences upon this island?" asked the commander, breaking a long and attentive

Yes, Captain Morrison," replied Denny

"Yes, Captain Morrison," replied Denny Breeze, drawing nearer to his commander, to as to speak with more of the freedom of confidence. "I refer to the Reverend Mr. Fortescue, and his daughter."

"They are old acquaintances, then?"

"Yes, sir. They used to live in the village where I was born, and their house was always to me like a second home—tiae only home I have had, in fact, since the death of my mother."

was awaye the only home I have now, the death of my mother."
"And the strange disappearance of your "And the strange disappearance of your ather, you should have added," said Capt. It is shoulder. "It is lather, you should have added," said Capt.

Morrison, gravely, as he patted the youth safectionately upon the shoulder. "It is saters! "It was simply another sense, there was nothing strange about it, it was simply another case of about it, it was simply another case of that his last hour had come.

Lost at sea! How many a life has "To swim, encumbered with all his "The water is full of sharks!"

ended to all earthly ken with that brief

"Yes, sir i it does," assented Denny "And it is a house afire," affirmed Capt.

Of the hamper to which reference has been made. One of his legs, in fact, became glass. "And it's curious that none of the eutangled in the coils of a sheet, in such a glass. "And it's curious that none of the savages who are running about make the least effort to put it out. And now that I look again, it seems to me, that the burning house is exactly in the direction of the one Mr. Fortescue occupied."

Denny Bresze turned pale at this sug-

'Oh, I hope not, sir!" he exclaimed "It would be horrible if Eillie Fortes cue should be in such trouble," said Den-ny, after a long look shoreward. "There seems to be a great deal of jumping and dancing in the heighborhood of that fire,

seems to be a great dear of jumping and dancing in the heighborhood of that fire, and not a soul doing anything as I can see towards putting it out."

"Great Pill go below now and get a bit-offsleep, Mr.; Bunote," said Capt Morrison to his second mate. "Call me if anything happens."

And with this the commander withdrew.

drew. He had scarcely gone when Mr. Bun cle, the second mate, approached one of the seamen under his charge, and said:
"Now is your chance, Bill, If you'll call Tom. and the rest for ard, we'll soon arrive at some conclusion. My opinion is that we had better give the old tub the slin ton-light."

But the cap'n thinks as how the say ages may be at this blessed minute a kill-ing of the missionaries on the island," re-monstrated Bill energotically.

"I think we had better see Tour and the rest, and make our escape immediately in the long-boat while the old man is

snoczing."
"Good! Lets move at onca."
Half hidden by sundry hampers at the foot of the main-ahronds, Denny Breeze had listened to every word of this con-

had listened to every word of this conversation.

"A general desertion, eh?" said Denny to himself, as he saw the perfidious second mate becoming the centre of a little knot of eager men forward. "This thing wont work my fine fellows."

He lost no time in entering the cabin and proceeding directly to the commander's stateroom. The old sea-dog was just in the act of "turning in."
"Why, what alls you, Denny?" he cried. "You are pale."
"Perhaps I have reason to be. Mr. Buncle and a good share of the men are intching up a plot to leave the schooner in the long-boat and make the island!"
"What!—to-night?"

in the long-boat and make the island!"
"What!-to-night?"
"Yes, sir-to-night. 'Now is our time,'
they say, 'while the old man is sleep-

The commander slipped noiselessly from the cabin, and soon his voice was heard upon the forecastle. The truth was, he had waited unseen and silent was, he had whited unseen and a sec-until the conspirators were about to re-sort to the measure of getting out the long-boat, and then he had fallen, upon them with all the stern authority of his position and the still sterner authority of

cabin.
"I've fixed them," he mutered, as he rabbed his hands gleefully together. "I waited till they were getting out the boat, and then I went for them. You can imagine how Buncle is cut up. Mr. Skill is now in charge of things. Here, steward!" The steward immediately responded to

"Make me my usual favorite punch," added the commander, "and let us have it while it is hot."

The stoward bowed understandingly,

The stoward bowed uncerstandingly, and set about obeying the order.

After remaining alone in the cabin an hour or two, musing intently upon all he had seen in the direction of the island, Denny Breezo again took his way to the deck, which seemed to him singularly dark and deserted The wind had freshened notably. A

chopping sea had arisen, and the vessel was laboring more than she had done for everal days preceding. The heavens were nearly obscured by a mist of im-

It was easy enough for Denny to see, b

this time, that something wrong was tak-ing place—that at the very least the vil-lany he had interrupted was gathering

lainy he had interrupted was gattering head again.
"I know not why you tell me this," said Denny, "but I know that I'll soon see for myself if you are telling me the truth."
He turned toward the cabin.
"Softly!. One moment!" said Buncle, advancing nearer. "I want to speak a word further with you, my young gentle-

man."
"Say on, then!"
"What I have to say is this," said Buncle. "Did you not tell Capt. Morrison that I, and Tom and Bill, and some others of the crew; were about to run away in the long-boat?"

Denny was not placed.

the long-boat?"

Denny was not pleased with the situation, especially as several of the intended runaways had gathered about him, but his was a soul inaccessible to fear, and he responded:

"Yes, I told Captain Morrison of your intended flight. What of it?"

"You shall soon see, my young bantam," said Buncle, with suppressed passion. "The long-boat is in the water, duly provisioned and stored, and we are ready to push off in her."

visioned and stored, and we are ready to push off in her."

"But Mr. Skill?" cried Denny, looking around excitedly. "Where is Mr. Skill?" He relerred to the executive, in whose charge Capt. Morrison had left the vessel. "Mr. Skill is bound hand and foot and are seed in the discount is as year and all the seed in the seed of the gagged in the forecastle, as are several o he men who took part with him," declar ed Bancle, with brutal insolence.

Denny Breeze, at these words, bounded ward the cabin, shouting:
"More villainy, Capt. Morrison! Help!

He had scarcely finished this cry, when he found himself intercepted by several pairs of hands and numerous fingers pairs of hancs and numerous largest clutching his throat.

"Up with him, boys!" was the short but iateful command of Buncle.
It was in valu that Denny, realizing the horrible intention of his enemies, essayed

horrible intention of his ensemies, essayed to defend himself—all in vain! He was litted clear of the deck in an instant, and hurled over the bulwarks into the raging

How, then, did Denny escape?

way as to hold him fast.

Upon reaching the water, therefore, he was by no means clear of the schooner, as his enemics supposed. To the contrary, he remained attached to the vessel by a rope more than an inch in diameter, and perceived that he was being towed gently.

The long-boat was already in the water.
The schooner had been left under such easy sall, with a view to this desertion, that her progress through the water was

scarcely perceptible.

"Isn't there any spoil aboard." asked to herself, as she swam shoreward.

Bill Marling, who had been chosen to stand next to Buncle in charge of the expedition.

"I know there is specie aboard," said Buncle, reflectively. "But where the specie is stored is beyond my knowledge."

"Pete, ought to know all about that point," suggested Marling, "since he is looking as in the cabin." point," suggested Marling, "since he is always in the cabin." "Yes, and I does, boss," said Pete, with

a grin of pleased importance.
"Fetch it up, then, immediately," com-

manded Buncle.

In five minutes more the little band of deserters had stripped the schooner of its specie, plate, linnen, and other valuables, with a number of nautical instruments, lanterns, etc., and had pushed clear of the Fortunately this departure took place upon the side of the schooner opposite to that from which our hero had been thrown overboard, and alongside of which he was being towed gently through the water.

water.
"They've gone !" he heard a voice ex-

claim, a few moments later.

"Help, there!" he called.

"Where are you?" was the reponse the voice which had before spoken.

"Here—alongside—on, the starboar side!" exclaimed our hero.

"Who are you?"

"Who are you?"
"Mr. Breeze—the passenger."
Sundry ejaculations of wonder succeeded, blended with the hurried trampling of feet, and then the sheet which had rentered to the passenger."

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"Coming to himself, sir, but not yet able to move," answered Elton. He was black in the face when we released him."

"How many of you are left?"

"Only four of us, excepting, you and

"You had better take the light from your rigging," angested Denny. "There is little danger of our falling joul of archer ship in these waters, and it will be well to put it out of the power of Bundand 18."

was laboring more than she had done for "It would have done so, darling, but for the roughness of the sen."
"Its all up with our halt here" said the missionary, turning back. "We must fly. The dog was heard and the savages are hastening in this direction."

Breaking from their covert, hand in land, the lather and daughter ran along the beach and gained a temporary shelter behind a small ledge of rocks which juttled out into the sea in the form of a small promentory.

Ere Ellie could reply, a solitary savage came bounding from their ubsuhes, brandish ing his war club.

"Alas' lasts!" mourred Mr. Fortescue. He had realized only too well the imminence of the peril-the utter futility only the course of the peril-the utter futility only his vious, every as he had dispatched the dog with had discovered the met the toremost savage with the strength of deep peril to the comest savage with the strength of deep peril to the comest savage with the whereabouts of the comest savage with the whereabouts of the comest savage with the starp the deep peril to the comest savage with the whereabouts of the comest savage with the starp the deep peril to the comest savage with the whereabouts of the comest savage with the attempth of deep peril to the comest savage with the whereabouts of the comest savage with the starp the deep peril to the comest savage with the whereabouts of the comest savage with the starp the deep peril to the comest savage with the starp the deep peril to the comest savage with the whereabouts of the comest savage with the starp the deep peril to the comest savage with the starp the deep peril to the comest savage with the whereabouts of the comest savage with the starp the deep peril to the comest savage with the starp the deep peril to the comest savage with the starp the deep peril to the comest savage with the starp the deep peril to the comest savage with the starp the deep peril to the peril to the

the natives quite so pleasant to deal with as they imagined, and now they wish to come back to the schooner."

"You will not let them come aboard, sir?" demanded Mr. Skill.

"No, sir. After what they have done, they would not hesitate a moment to kill us all and take possession of the schooner, That's probably the very course they intend to take. It only remains for us to fight them," muttered Captain Morrison. t"We may as well be getting our tools together."

The preparations for defense were scarcely completed when the long-boat was within halling distance, continuing "Sheer off there, you villains!" called Capt. Morrison, as he raised a musket menacingly. "You can't come back to the schooner."

"We must come back!" shouted Bun-cle, in return. "There's no living with the natives. They've risen against

the missionaries and strangers, killing every one of them. We have had a terrible battle with them—"
"Sheer off there, I say," interrupted
Capt. Morrison, raising his musket. "You
can't come aboard of the schooner."
"We can and we will!" cried Buncle,
with a dogged resolution that sufficiently
evidenced the desperation of his circumrible battle with them-"

stances.

"If you are wise, Cap'n Morrison, you'll let us come shoard and excuse what has happened. We are sorry for our conduct of last evening; it all came of our having had too much liquor. We wish to return to date."

had too much liquor. We wish to return to duty—"
"I can put no trust in you," interrupted Capt Morrison. "Once for all, you shall not come near us."
"Destruction!" exclaimed Buncle, as he caught sight of Denay. "The youngster isn't dead, after all."
Then he called to Cap'n Morrison:
"It is useless for you to warn us off, Cap'n. We are certainly coming aboard, even if we have to fight you."
And with this the long-boat resumed its swift advance upon the schooner.
"And let me say just one word more," added Buncle." "We are two to your one, and for every shot that is fired upon us

and for every shot that is fired upon us we shall take a horrible revenge."

She little heeded, in that awful hour, this additional peril.
"Oh, father, speak to me!" she cried, sustaining the pallid face of the dead mis-

sustaining the pallid face of the dead missionary above the water.

The dumbness succeeding this appeal was terribly significant, as was also the very inertness of the lifeless form.

"He is dead i" she gasped.

Hovering over the edge of the boat, and heedless alike of the cries of the savages or of the missiles they were discharging at her, the poor girl placed her band upon the heart of the missionary.

It had indeed ceased to beat.

"And I may as well die, too!" was the cry of anguish that swelled to Ellie's lips, as the capsized the hearty filled boat, and let her tather's body sink in the sea, to keep it from falling into the hands of the cannibals. "Of what further use is my life, even if I gold make my escape from these murderous enemies? It matters little what becomes of me now," said El-

looking eagerly around upon the surface of the water.

The girl-pointed downward, with manner sufficiently indicative of her be-lief that the body of her father was going down thousands of feet, to the midst of

down thousands of feet, to the midst of coral caves, beyond all decay, beyond all life, there to await the resurrection.

The savage uttered a howl of anger and regret, which attested that the timely fears of Eillie for the remains of her lather had not been unfounded.

"Never mind—you will do as well," grunted the savage, significantly.

These were the last words the unfortunate wretch ever utered a blow as that

These were the last words the unfortu-nate wretch ever uttered, a blow at that instant from the club-of a native, who had arrived in a second boat, having knocked him overboard and left him senseless, to meet a certain death by drowning. "You are my prize, lovely flower of a hated race!" muttered the new-comer, as he transferred the girl to his own boat."

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leaving that of his murdered rival to drik leaving that of his murdered rival to drik away upon the water. "You know me, do you not? I am Tongaroro!" Ellie recognized her captor now, and she was not displeased with the substitu-tion of Tongaroro for the rufflan who had first sairad her. For this Tongaroro was deet, and then the sheet which had rendered Denny such timely service was
slowly drawn in until he found himself
able to grasp the bulwarks.

"That'll do," he called. "I'm all right
now. Where is Mr. Skill?"

"Coming to himself, sir, but not yet
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Fortescue. The even speak fluently.

"I warned that dog against getting in my way," he muttered, "and let them all beware how they molest me!"

beware how they molest me?"
and "Oh, you will not let them eat me?"
cried Ellie, shuddering, her tender and
delicate nature shrinking more from that
here, profanation than from death itself.
"No they shall not eat you," said the
bush.
Permission."
"Oh say that they shall not eat me, in
any case." pleaded Ellie.

well to put it out of the power of Buncle and his gaug to board us."

This suggestion was adopted.

"Let us hope that no chance will throw us into their power," said Denny, as care-lessly as if no peril had ever assailed him.

"For my part, I don't care to be towed alongside by one leg again."

"We'll stand in toward the harbor," said Capt. Morrison, who was now quite himself again, with the exception of havere headache. "Doubtles our runaways have made the island in safety. They would not mind taking the risk of a you to become my will."

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"I will bring food and drink," he said, turning away, "and do not be foolish."

The food and drink supplied her, he took his departure, leaving her alone in the darknes

the darkness.

She had not been in this place a great
while, however, when the door of her
prison was opened, and the grim figure of
another native chief was presented indis-

another hative chief was presented indis-tinctly to her gaze,

"Are you Tongaroro?" she asked, in a flutter of apprehension.

"No, I am Lootoo! Hush! I have come to release you, and carry you off to the woods and the mountains!"

"Alsa! you cannot release me, even if "Alas! you cannot release me—even is wished you to," sighed Ellie. "I am

"Chained!" The new-comer echoed the word in one of the gravest annoyance.
"Are you telling me the truth?" he de-

manded.
"You can-feel, or look, for yourself."
Lootoo at first felt of the chain, and then
produced a light by friction, and examined
it. As he did so, his brow darkened fearfully. He scowled like a fiend.

fully. He scowled like a fiend.

"I cannot relesse you, if I were to work all night," he muttered. "And all will be decided against me to-morrow. But there is one thing I can do: I hate Tongaroro, and here is a chance for me to cause him a great annoyance!"

"How "f sattered Eille."

"I will kill you!" replied Lootoo.
"Since I cannot set you lree, I must kill you where you are!" ou where you are!'

He drew forth a large knife for his purpose. The above we publish as a specimen chapter; but the continuation of this story will be found only in the N. Y. Ledger. Ask for the number dated December 6, which can now be had at any news office or book store. If you are not within reach of a news office, you can have the Ledger mailed to you for one year by sending three dollars to Robert Bonner, publisher, 180 William street, New York. He drew forth a large knife for his pur

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"But that, I see is out of the question," said the chief, grimly. "And so you will probably be eaten to-morrow."

As she reached the beach, she found the relef contronted by the king of the natives, the father of Tongaroro.

"Take her away and let her be well led!" commanded the chief, addressing his son. "She must not be found amiss for the fast of tomorrow."

Tongaroro made a gesture to the girl, leading the way, towards the house, and she lost no time in following him.

This house was an average specimen of the simple constructions of the island, being little more than a half thached roof supported upon posts. It stood in a retired spot, with great trees around it, and had about it an air of uncommon neatiness—a fact owing to the refined manners the sister of the young chief had acquired from the missionaries, and especially from

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